

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20515

July 28, 2022

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer  
Majority Leader  
322 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

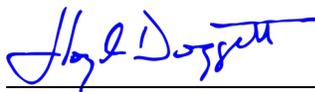
Dear Majority Leader Schumer,

Congratulations on the progress you have made with Senator Manchin on the Inflation Reduction Act. Millions of Americans have never received any benefit from the Affordable Care Act in States that failed to expand Medicaid due to sustained Republican opposition. This has had devastating consequences for health equity, maternal mortality, and substance use disorder, among many other public health crises.

In your further work to move this legislation forward, it is essential that relief be provided for our most economically disadvantaged neighbors who have been stuck in the coverage gap for over a decade.

We cannot afford to go home without doing something to help out those who have been left out and left behind for so long.

Sincerely,



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Lloyd Doggett  
Member of Congress



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Val Butler Demings  
Member of Congress



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Robin L. Kelly  
Member of Congress



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Alma S. Adams, Ph.D.  
Member of Congress



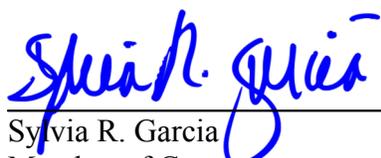
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Henry Cuellar  
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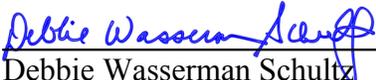
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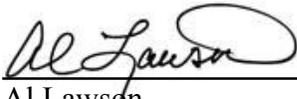
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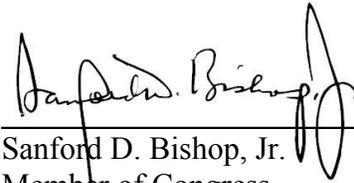
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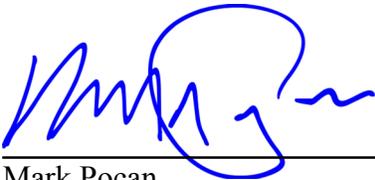
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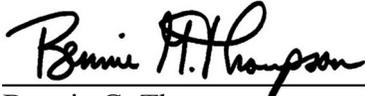
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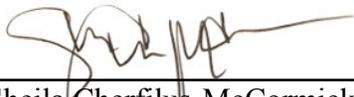
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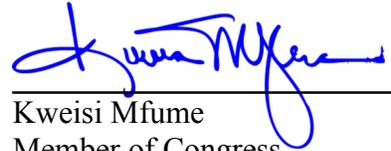
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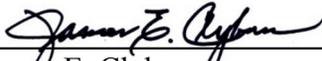
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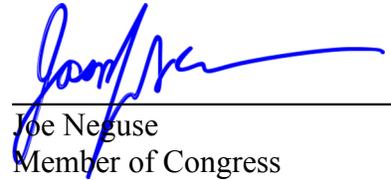
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Majority Whip



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Joe Neguse  
Member of Congress



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